

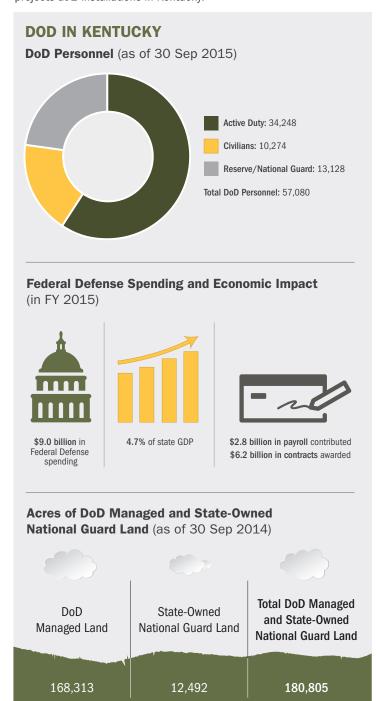
# READINESS AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION INTEGRATION PROGRAM STATE PROFILE | KENTUCKY

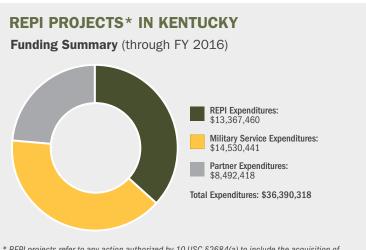


# **OVERVIEW**

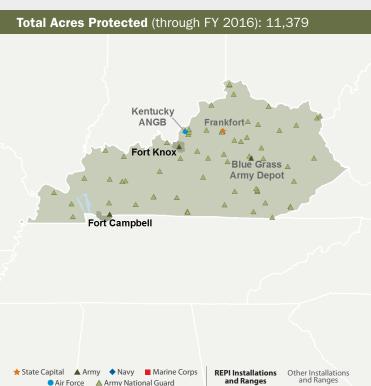
Kentucky received \$9.0 billion in Defense spending in Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, which provides direct funding for DoD personnel salaries, defense contracts, and construction of military facilities in the state. This spending by DoD personnel, contractors, and their families creates significant economic activity, attracts related industries and investment, and generates important state and local government tax revenues.

The Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) Program is a key tool used by DoD and its partners to protect the military's ability to train, test, and operate in the state. DoD created the REPI Program in response to the development of lands and loss of habitat in the vicinity of or affecting its installations, ranges, and airspace that can lead to restrictions or costly and inadequate training and testing alternatives. Through REPI, DoD works with state and local governments, conservation organizations, and willing private landowners to address these challenges to the military mission and the viability of DoD installations and ranges. The REPI Program has enjoyed broad bipartisan support both in the U.S. Congress and among groups representing state and local officials. Through FY 2016, DoD and its partners have spent over \$36 million on REPI projects at 2 installations in Kentucky.





\* REPI projects refer to any action authorized by 10 USC §2684(a) to include the acquisition of interests in land from willing landowners to prevent incompatible development and protect habitat or any other natural resources management. REPI projects involving the Army or Army National Guard are also termed Army Compatible Use Buffer (ACUB) partnerships. Those involving the Navy, Marine Corps, or Air Force, are also termed encroachment partnering agreements. Eligible partners include conservation organizations and state and local governments.



● Air Force Army National Guard

### **MILITARY PRESENCE**

- Blue Grass Army Depot provides conventional ammunition services, including special operations requirements for all Military Services; chemical defense management; and limited manufacturing capabilities for the Army.
- The active duty military's share of the gross state product increased from 1.6% in 1999 to 2.5% in 2013.
- The military is the largest single employer among organizations that could relocate outside of Kentucky.

- 27,000 retirees in the state received \$637 million in retirement pay in FY 2015.
- Fort Knox encompasses 109,000
   acres and boasts sole responsibility for
   all Soldier career management, from
   swearing in to departing service.
- Fort Campbell houses the world's only Air Assault Division, two prestigious Special Operations Command Units, and various sizable medical and dental activities.

## **Key REPI Partners**

- Compatible Lands Foundation
- Kentucky Department of Agriculture
- Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources
- Kentucky Division of Conservation
- Kentucky Forest Service
- Kentucky Land Trust

- Kentucky Nature Preserves
- Land Trust for Tennessee
- Lincoln Trail Area
   Development District
- The Nature Conservancy
- U.S. Department of Agriculture— Natural Resources Conservation Service

# **REPI PROJECTS**

Project Installation	County	Congressional District
Fort Campbell	Christian (KY), Montgomery (TN)	KY-1st, TN-7th
Fort Knox	Bullitt, Hardin, Meade	2nd

For all REPI Project Profiles visit: http://www.repi.mil/BufferProjects/ProjectList.aspx





A squadron engages in a live-fire training exercise (top), while a special boat team participates in a drill at the riverine training range at Fort Knox (left).

#### **Data Sources**

- For Federal Spending and Personnel Information:
   Office of Economic Adjustment: "Defense Spending by State Fiscal Year 2015": https://www.oea.gov/defense-spending-state-fiscal-year-2015
- For Land Information: Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment, "Base Structure Report — Fiscal Year 2015 Baseline": http://www.acq.osd.mil/eie/ Downloads/BSI/Base%20Structure%20Report%20 FY15.pdf
- For REPI Projects Information: "2017 REPI Report to Congress": http://www.repi.mil/Portals/44/
  Documents/Reports\_to\_Congress/REPI2017
  RTC.pdf
- For Economic Impact Information: KY Commission on Military Affairs 2016 Report: http://kcma.ky.gov/ Documents/Final%20Report.pdf

For more information about the REPI Program, visit www.repi.mil